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Note verbale dated 15 March 2001 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Afghanistan and, with reference to the note verbale dated 27 February 2001 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation (S/AC.37/2001/29), has the honour to inform him that, within the framework of the measures being taken by the Russian Federation in implementation of paragraphs 5, 8, 10 and 11 of Security Council resolution 1333 (2000) of 19 December 2000, the President of the Russian Federation, V. V. Putin, has signed a decree on measures to carry out Security Council resolution 1333 (2000) of 19 December 2000.

In accordance with the decree, all State institutions, industrial, trade, financial, transport and other enterprises, firms, banks, organizations and other entities and individuals falling within the jurisdiction of the Russian Federation are required to take into account, in carrying out their activities, the fact that, from 19 January 2001 to 19 January 2002:

(a) The direct or indirect supply, sale or transfer to the territory of Afghanistan under Taliban control, as stipulated by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999), from the territory of the Russian Federation, or using vessels or aircraft carrying the flag of the Russian Federation, of products for military purposes and dual-use goods and technology, as well as spare parts, assembly units and auxiliary equipment for such products and goods, is prohibited;

(b) The direct or indirect sale or provision to the territory of Afghanistan under Taliban control, as stipulated by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999), of technical advice, assistance or training related to the military activities of the armed personnel under the control of the Taliban is prohibited;

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(c) The presence in Afghanistan of any officials, agents, advisers or military personnel employed by contract or other arrangement to advise the Taliban on military or related security matters is prohibited;

(d) All Taliban offices and branches of Ariana Afghan Airlines are subject to closure in the territory of the Russian Federation;

(e) Funds and other financial assets of Osama bin Laden and individuals and entities associated with him, as stipulated by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999), including those in the Al-Qaida organization, as well as funds derived or generated from property owned or controlled directly or indirectly by Osama bin Laden and individuals and entities associated with him, are frozen;

(f) The direct or indirect sale, supply or transfer of the chemical acetic anhydride to any person in the territory of Afghanistan under Taliban control, as stipulated by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999), or to any person for the purpose of any activity carried out in, or operated from, territory under Taliban control, as stipulated by the Committee, are prohibited;

(g) The granting of permission to any aircraft to take off from, land in or overfly the territory of the Russian Federation is prohibited if that aircraft has taken off from, or is destined to land at, an area in the territory of Afghanistan designated by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) as being under Taliban control, unless the particular flight has been approved in advance by the Committee on the grounds of humanitarian need, including religious obligations such as the performance of the Hajj, or on the grounds that the flight promotes the discussion of a peaceful resolution of the conflict in Afghanistan, or is likely to promote Taliban compliance with the provisions of Security Council resolutions 1267 (1999) of 15 October 1999 or 1333 (2000) of 19 December 2000. The prohibition imposed by this subparagraph does not apply to flights operated for humanitarian purposes by, or on behalf of, organizations and governmental agencies which are engaged in providing relief assistance and are on the list approved by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999);

(h) The entry into or transit through the territory of the Russian Federation of all senior officials of the rank of Deputy Minister or higher in the Taliban, the equivalent rank of armed personnel under the control of the Taliban and other senior advisers and dignitaries of the Taliban is prohibited, unless those officials are travelling for humanitarian purposes, including religious obligations such as the performance of the Hajj, or where the travel promotes the discussion of a peaceful resolution of the conflict in Afghanistan or involves compliance with Security Council resolutions 1267 (1999) of 15 October 1999 or 1333 (2000) of 19 December 2000.

The measures provided for under subparagraphs (a), (b) and (c) of the present decree do not apply to supplies of non-lethal military equipment intended solely for humanitarian or protective purposes, related technical assistance or training approved in advance by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) or to protective clothing, including flak jackets and military helmets imported into Afghanistan by United Nations personnel, representatives of the media and the staff of humanitarian organizations for their personal use only.